

SUSAN VANDERBORGH, JD, MSW

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Child and Family Investigator 7/2018 - Current

Vanderborgh Family Law, LLC – Denver, CO

As a Child and Family Investigator I work as a court appointed neutral who is tasked with making parenting time and decision-making recommendations that are in children's best interests. As a PC/DM I work collaboratively with parents to reach agreement regarding their children, and then make decisions if parents are unable to do so on their own. I also accept appointments as a Child Legal Representative

Staff Attorney, Child and Family Investigator 07/2016 to 07/2018

Bridge to Justice – Boulder, CO

Child and Family Investigator. Attorney representing modest means clients in parenting time and divorce related cases. Issues often included allegations of domestic violence, child abuse, and substance abuse.

Associate Attorney, Child and Family Investigator 8/2015 to 07/2016

Van Horn Family Law – Littleton, CO

Attorney representing clients in divorce and parenting matters, including stepparent adoption and relinquishment of parental rights. Child and Family Investigator.

Mediator, Child and Family Investigator 01/2013 to 08/2015

Clear Creek Mediation, LLC – Golden, CO

Mediated civil and domestic relations matters to resolve disputes related to financial disputes and divorce or parenting time disputes. Child and Family Investigator.

Chaplain 01/2012 to 01/2014

Vitas Innovative Hospice Care – Lakewood, CO

Provided end of life support and spiritual care to patients and family members. Led community based grief support groups.

Chaplain 01/2011 to 01/2013

Denver Health Medical Center – Denver, CO

Chaplain in the Emergency Room, Psychiatric Unit, and Intensive Care Units.

Facilitated neonatal loss support groups.

Chaplain 01/2010 to 01/2011

St Anthony Hospital – Lakewood, CO

Staff chaplain serving all areas of hospital, including the Emergency Department and Intensive Care Units. Member of the Ethics Committee.

Pediatric Chaplain 01/2006 to 01/2007

Miller Children's Hospital – Long Beach, CA

Provided Spiritual Care to patients and families in Pediatric Intensive Care and Emergency Departments. Co-led grief and loss support group.

Associate Attorney 01/1992 to 01/1994

Pillsbury Madison & Sutro – San Diego, CA
Co-led team on multi-year complex litigation, and product liability case.
Assistant District Attorney 06/1990 to 01/1991
County Of San Diego – San Diego, CA
Prosecutor for Family Support, and Sex Crimes Units.

EDUCATION

J.D. 1990
University of New Hampshire School of Law - Concord, NH

M.Div. 2005
Fuller Theological Seminary - Pasadena, CA

MSW 2022
Metropolitan State University – Denver, CO
Denver Children’s Home Community Based Services- Case Manager and In-Home Behavior Therapist
Mental Health Partners- Child Adolescent Family Therapist

BA 1987
Wheaton College - Norton, MA

RECENT TRAINING

-Let’s Connect Parenting Intervention: Training 2022
-New Ways for Families: Training 2021
-Child and Family Investigator: Training December 2013 – On the statewide list since 2014
-Minor’s Counsel: State of California 2018
-Parental Alienation, Resist Refuse Dynamic, AFCC 2020
- Parenting Coordinator/Decision-Maker and Child Development, AFCC 2020
-State of Colorado: Domestic Violence Risk Needs Assessment and Domestic Violence Offender Evaluation, 2020-2021
-Mandatory Reporter Training, Child Protective Services, State of Colorado, 2021 -Denver Children’s Advocacy Center: Child sexual abuse, evaluation, and treatment, 2020 -Denver Children’s Advocacy Center: Understanding the Continuum of Sexual Behaviors in Children, 2019